

**Code and Data**  
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**Overview:**

All raw data of the experiments in the paper are in the file “experimental\_data.zip”.

All the software code of the Python programs for generating these data are located in the “programs” directory.

**About the programs:**

The MNIST data set and *mnist\_loader.py* (not included here) will be called by all programs except *weight\_extractor.py*. Available at:

<https://github.com/mnielsen/neural-networks-and-deep-learning/archive/master.zip>

All programs with the names ending with “S” are for the networks using sigmoid function.

- *main2204\_2Para6S.py*:

A batch processing file that completes all the training and analysis (except the function of *weight\_extractor.py*) of a network.

It includes *main2204\_2Para\_load\_6S.py*.

It will call *network2Para6S.py* and *network2Para\_load\_6S.py*.

It will produce the following files:

*biases&weights\_initialized.pickle*

*biases&weights\_optimized.pickle*

*network2Para6S.pkl*

*classification\_accuracy.csv*

*disagreed\_results.csv*

Main parameters that can be changed:

[784,48,35,10],[784,50,10]: the size of the networks.

*epochs* in the function *SGD*: the number of epochs that the networks are trained in total.

*epochs\_sep* in the function *SGD*: the number of epochs that the networks are trained separately.

- *main2204\_2Para\_load\_6S.py*:

A batch processing file that analyzes a trained network.

It will call *network2Para\_load\_6S.py*.

It will read *biases&weights\_optimized.pickle*, and produce *disagreed\_results.csv*.

- *network2Para6S.py*:

The program that trains a network.

It will produce the following files:

*biases&weights\_initialized.pickle*

*biases&weights\_optimized.pickle*

*network2Para6S.pkl*

*classification\_accuracy.csv*

- *network2Para\_load\_6S.py*:

The program that analyzes a trained network.

It will read *biases&weights\_optimized.pickle*, and produce *disagreed\_results.csv*.

All programs with the names ending with “R” are for the networks using ReLU function.

All programs with the names ending with “T” are for the networks using Tanh function.

- *weight\_extractor.py*:

The program that extracts the weights of the outputs of the neurons of the last hidden layer when calculating the weighted inputs to the output neurons.

It will read *biases&weights\_optimized.pickle* and produce *weights\_at\_the\_output\_layer.csv*.

### Experimental data file description:

- *biases&weights\_initialized.pickle*: The initial biases and weights of the network.
- *biases&weights\_optimized.pickle*: The optimized biases and weights of the network.
- *classification\_accuracy.csv*: The classification accuracies at each epochs and their maximums.

Notations (left: symbols in the file, right: symbols in the paper):

NN1:  $\alpha_1$

NN1p:  $\alpha'_1$

NN2:  $\alpha_2$

NN2p:  $\alpha'_2$

Para:  $\alpha_{para}$

- *disagreed\_results.csv*: The analysis result of a trained network.

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Results when both subnetworks are right: Type I results

Results when only network1 is wrong: Type II results

Results when only network2 is wrong: Type III results

Results when both subnetworks are wrong but the combined network is right: Type IV results

- *network2Para6S.pkl* / *network2Para6R.pkl* / *network2Para6T.pkl*: The network at the end of the training.
- *weights\_at\_the\_output\_layer.csv*: The weights of the outputs of the neurons of the last hidden layer when calculating the weighted inputs to the output neurons.